

HOUSE RESOLUTION 308
By Brooks (Shelby)

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Evangelist Zelma King-Johnson for her astute service to the people of Memphis and the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary religious leaders who are important elements of their respective communities, contributing to the social and spiritual health of our State; and

WHEREAS, one such inspirational individual is Evangelist Zelma King-Johnson, who has dedicated her time and talents to enriching her community through the Lord's ministry; and

WHEREAS, a native of Coldwater, Mississippi, Mrs. Johnson was born July 23, 1952, to the late Mr. Isaiah and Mrs. Vestoria King; she is the fourth of eleven children; and

WHEREAS, moving to Memphis in 1971, Zelma King married Mr. Ire Johnson and their blessed union has produced five children; they are also the proud grandparents of seven; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnson answered the Lord's call to ministry in 1987 and was ordained in 1992; she holds affiliations with Second Baptist Church of Coldwater, Mississippi, Annesdale Cherokee Missionary Baptist Church, and the Word of Life Ministry; and

WHEREAS, a gifted vocalist, Mrs. Johnson is a renowned Gospel Bluegrass singer and will be performing at Central Station/Hudson Hall Ballroom in Memphis on March 20, 2004; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her dedication to carrying out the blessed musical gift that God has given her, Mrs. Johnson serves with acumen and alacrity as a Sales Associate at Sears; and

WHEREAS, Zelma Johnson is an exemplary public servant, inspirational singer, and outstanding spiritual leader who works diligently to better her community, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Evangelist Zelma King-Johnson for her fruitful work in the vineyards of the Lord and salute her astute service to the citizens of Memphis and this State. We extend to her our best wishes for much future happiness and success as her ministry continues to grow and prosper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.